

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

**MEMORANDUM**

March 3, 2023

**To: Members, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic**

**From: Select Subcommittee Staff**

**Re: Hearing on “Investigating the Origins of COVID-19”**

On Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. E.T., in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic will host a hearing on “Investigating the Origins of COVID-19.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

Discovering the origins of COVID-19, natural or laboratory related, is vital to preventing future pandemics, protecting Americans public health, and informing the national security of the United States. As of March 1, 2023, COVID-19 has killed more than one million Americans and caused more than 100 million infections. Unfortunately, many investigations into the origins of COVID-19 have been stymied by the Chinese Communist Party and the scientific establishment. There is currently not a consensus on the origins of COVID-19.

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

This hearing will examine the potential origins, natural or laboratory related, and importance of investigating the origins of COVID-19.

**III. WITNESSES:**

**Mr. Robert Redfield, M.D.**

Former Director

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**Mr. Jamie Metzl, Ph.D.**

Senior Fellow

Atlantic Council

**Mr. Nicholas Wade**

Former Editor for *Nature*

Former Editor for *Science*

Former Science Editor for *New York Times*